

ANNUAL REPORTS

—OF THE—

COMMISSIONERS

—OF THE—

COUNTY OF GRAFTON,

TOGETHER WITH THE REPORTS OF

SUPERINTENDENT, PHYSICIAN AND CHAPLAIN

—OF THE COUNTY FARM,—

SHERIFF, CLERK OF COURT,

JAILOR, SOLICITOR,

TREASURER AND AUDITORS,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1888.

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COMMISSIONER'S REPORT.

To the Citizens of Grafton County:

The commissioners of the County of Grafton herewith submit their annual report for the year ending April 30, 1888, together with the reports of Superintendent of the Almshouse, Chaplain, Physician, Sheriff, Jailor, Solicitor, Clerk Supreme Court, County Treasurer and Auditors.

Your Commissioners have, as heretofore, used every reasonable endeavor to provide for the comfortable support of the inmates of the Almshouse, and we are fully satisfied that very few of the unfortunates ever enjoyed as many comforts at their homes, as do the inmates of this institution.

A variety of food, and proper utensils for cooking the same give many advantages which are not enjoyed by the poor at their homes in the several towns.

If the citizens throughout the whole county would visit the Almshouse often, and witness for themselves the manner in which it is conducted, there would be less prejudice against the institution, and less suffering among the poor of the county.

We have visited nearly every county pauper supported away from the Almshouse at least once during the year, and have given such instruction to the overseers of the several towns as seemed to us necessary.

The health of the inmates of the Almshouse has been excellent during the past year; no acute sickness or epidemic has prevailed in the institution, as the bill for medical attendance will show, the entire amount being less than for some single pauper family at their homes; while the mortality has been less than any previous year, so far as we have reports to show.

As will be seen by the Treasurer's report, "Bond No. 33," due Oct. 1, 1879, with one coupon attached, has been paid, amounting to (\$530.) five hundred and thirty dollars.

This Bond has been reported for the past six or eight years as paid, but was presented during the past winter, paid and cancelled. Had this bond been reported as outstanding against

the county, the indebtedness would have been increased by that amount. This bond had been marked as paid on the "Bond Book," when the book came into the hands of the present county Treasurer.

By referring to the proceedings of the County Delegation it will be seen that an appropriation was made for an addition to the insane department at the Almshouse. This appropriation not being voted until August, 1887, it was deemed best not to complete it last summer, but we hope to have a model building erected during the present season, which will add much to the comfort of this class of increasing unfortunates in our community.

Mr. S. S. Brown and wife, as Superintendent and Matron, have administered the affairs at the Almshouse to the satisfaction of the Commissioners, and solicit a careful scrutiny of the same by the citizens of the County.

PAID FOR SUPPORT OF PAUPERS, EASTERN DISTRICT, MAY AND
NOVEMBER TERMS.

Alexandria,	\$962 20
Bridgewater,	323 12
Bristol,	176 64
Campton,	985 42
Dorchester,	382 89
Ellsworth,	77 41
Grafton,	585 02
Groton,	97 10
Hebron,	103 75
Holderness,	358 27
Plymouth,	954 45
Rumney,	531 76
Thornton,	361 21
Wentworth,	122 28
Woodstock,	47 11
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	\$6,068 63

WESTERN DISTRICT, SEPTEMBER AND MARCH TERMS.

Bath,	\$ 40 56
Benton,	56 46
Bethlehem,	383 61
Canaan,	544 66
Easton,	125 71
Enfield,	705 18

Franconia,	284 85
Hanover,	529 34
Haverhill,	476 49
Landaff,	478 67
Lebanon,	1058 20
Lisbon,	825 83
Littleton,	2066 51
Lyman,	390 24
Lyme,	911 11
Monroe,	148 63
Orange,	50 94
Orford,	76 94
Piermont,	143 58
Warren,	275 51
Nancy C. Smith, support Geo. W. Smith,	100 00
County of Sullivan, support of paupers,	305 42
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	\$9,978 44

STATEMENT

OF THE EXPENSES OF THE COUNTY FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL
30, 1888.

Support of paupers on County Farm to April 30, 1888,	\$7218 97
Support of paupers off County Farm to April 30, 1888,	16047 07
Jail expenses,	511 72
Fling & Chase, counsel in J. B. Carter case,	75 95
A. W. Lyman, coal for Jail and County offices,	122 72
Books and supplies County offices,	301 78
Insurance,	436 25
Repairs on Court House at Plymouth,	20 31
N. H. Asylum for Insane,	1718 29
State Industrial School,	450 36
Sheriff Deputies and Messengers,	118 55
Commissioners' expenses equalizing taxes,	451 65
Jury Pay Roll,	1076 80
Pay Roll State vs. sundry persons,	1402 11
Referee's fees,	191 50
C. B. Griswold, balance Clerk's account,	598 60
Paid Coupons,	2127 00
County Bonds paid,	1467 00
County Officers' Salaries,	1771 02
Miscellaneous Expenses,	170 75
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	\$36,278 40

TO THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR IN THE SEVERAL TOWNS.

We desire to call your notice to Chapter 25, Sections 5, 6 and 9, and Chapter 83, Sections 1, 14 and 15, of the General Laws, and to inform you that no bills will be *paid* for more than *ten days'* support previous to the proper affidavits being furnished us according to the requirements of these statutes. The evidence as to the settlement must show the name, age, place of present or former residence of the applicant since 1870; the amount of property owned by and taxed to them in any place since 1870; whether married or single; if married, when and to whom; if under the age of thirty-three years, the name and place and residence of parents, the amount of property owned by and taxed to either of them; if they have received any aid, when and by whom; where they have lived for the last two years, and any other material facts bearing upon the matter.

We would also call your attention to Chapter 58, Sect. 1, Pamphlet Laws of 1883, entitled "An act for the punishment of parents who neglect to provide for the support of their minor children," and to report any such case at once to the commissioners, so that such delinquents may be compelled to perform their duty to their legitimate offspring.

You are requested to present to the County Commissioners, during the first week of each term of Court, all legal claims which said town has against said county for the support of county paupers.

You are requested to look after the interests of said paupers, and be *sure* that each pauper gets a dollar's worth of goods for a dollar, and settle no bills that are not particularly itemized as regards weight, quantity and price.

The towns in the Eastern Judicial District, except Orange, Grafton, Dorchester and Wentworth, may send their affidavits or direct any correspondence to S. S. Brown, Woodsville, N. H. Towns in the Western Judicial District, south of Haverhill, Warren and Wentworth, including Orange, Grafton and Dorchester to H. H. Holt, Lyme, N. H., and the remainder of the towns in the County to S. P. Carbee, Haverhill, N. H.

We desire to express our thanks to the overseers of the poor throughout the County for the interest they have manifested in their able assistance in the care of the unfortunate poor in our midst. The class of paupers that receive aid at their homes, in the several towns, in the County, are directly under your care, and we trust you will give each case a personal inspection, so that no one shall defraud the county, and no deserving ones suffer for the common necessities of life.

We extend to all the citizens, and especially the taxpayers, a cordial invitation to visit the Almshouse, and witness for themselves the manner in which the institution is managed, and thus be better enabled to judge how their money is expended.

Respectfully submitted,

S. P. CARBEE,	}	Commissioners
HENRY H. HOLT,		of
S. S. BROWN,		Grafton County.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

POST OFFICE, } GRAFTON COUNTY ALMSHOUSE,
 WOODSVILLE, N. H. } Haverhill, N. H., April 30, 1888.

To the Hon. Board of County Commissioners:

GENTLEMEN:—In compliance with the General Laws of the State of New Hampshire, I herewith submit my report of the Grafton County Almshouse from May 1, 1887, to April 30, 1888.

Number of inmates May 1, 1887,	97
Number admitted during the year,	46

	Total,	143
No. discharged during the year,	27	
No. died during the year,	9	
No. of inmates May 1, 1888,	107	

	Total,	143
Average number during the year,		102—
No. of weeks board furnished,	5360	3-7
Cost of support of each inmate per week,	\$1.34	—

List of paupers supported at the Grafton County Almshouse from May 1st, 1887 to April 30, 1888,

Name.	Residence.	Age.	Nationality.	Board Weeks.	Days.
Webster Symonds,	Alexandria	71	American	50	2
Willie Braley,	"	7	"	43	4
John Batchelder,	"	42	"	9	5
Phœbe Simonds,	"	73	"	3	2
Elizabeth Pussey,	"	65	"	2	5
Charles Bonner,	Ashland	7	French	52	2
Marcellus Sorrell	"	68	"	52	2
Jerre Benton,	"	71	American	52	2
Ellen Stewart,	"	37	"	52	2
Betsey Kinkead,	Bath,	83	"	52	2
Fannie Waters,	"	28	"	50	2
Anabel Waters	"	3	"	52	2

Name.	Residence.	Age.	Nationality.	Board.	
				Weeks	D's.
Ida Bell Prescott	Bristol	31	American	52	2
Roxanna Richardson	"	38	"	52	2
Willie Dysart	"	21	Irish	50	2
Geo. G. Quimby	Bethlehem	74	American	4	6
Annette Willard	"	41	"	52	2
Thomas Cassidy	"	71	Irish	52	2
Daniel Kellum	"	53	"	52	2
Thomas Ferule	"	55	"	6	1
Minnie Leonard	"	10	French	14	6
Holman D. Cooley	Benton	44	American	52	2
Hannah R. Smith	Bridgewater	53	"	52	2
Grace Abel	"	31	English	15	
Charles Stevens	Campton	38	American	52	2
La Forest Mitchell	"	40	"	5	2
Mary J. Hadley	Canaan	53	"	45	5
Mary Richardson	"	53	"	52	2
Betsey Abbott	"	80	"	52	2
Charles Puffer	"	35	"	22	6
Clara K. Martin	"	38	"	51	6
Chas. E. Martin	"	13	"	51	6
Ida L. Martin	"	10	"	9	2
Mary E. Martin	"	8	"	51	6
Henry H. Martin	"	5	"	51	6
Susie C. Martin	"	3	"	13	1
Carl H. Martin	"	1	"	51	6
Harvey Martin	"	35	"	44	5
Mary A. Bonival	"	21	French	26	
Joseph Bonival	"	3	"	30	1
Lizzie Bonival	"	1	"	18	2
Eugene Wood	"	15	American	11	3
Stephen Towle	"	50	"	15	6
Anna Wells	Dorchester	75	"	52	2
Julia A. Hammond	Enfield	84	"	52	2
Anna L. Seaver	"	44	"	51	
Cora N. Stevens	"	30	"	14	6
Gracie Stevens	"	4	"	14	6
Orin W. Donald	Franconia	59	Irish	52	2
Ezekiel Bowles	Easton	81	American	32	
Mary M. Bowles	"	60	"	52	2
Ruth Bowles	"	20	"	52	2
Chester Noyes	"	51	"	52	2
C. V. Garland	Grafton	47	"	52	2
Alonzo Powell	"	66	"	52	2
Addie Holton	Hanover	64	"	52	2

Name.	Residence.	Age.	Nationality.	Board.	
				Weeks	D's.
Jane L. Corey	Hanover	57	Irish	52	2
N. McDonald	"	38	"	52	2
Mary Gee	"	74	"	10	
Frank Morey,	Haverhill	40	American	52	2
O. G. Page,	"	60	"	7	5
Sarah Ricard	"	51	"	52	2
Fannie Morrill	"	54	"	52	2
George Cross	"	7	"	52	2
Achsah Jeffers	"	87	"	15	4
Rhoda Hill	"	66	"	52	2
Rhoda Hurlburt,	"	68	"	47	5
George Titus	"	4	"	10	5
Archie Gamiell	"	16	Irish	25	3
Mary Tyrell	Hebron	47	American	52	2
Willie Fogg	"	9	"	52	2
Albert Knowles	"	17	"	52	2
Ellen Mudgett	Holderness	48	"	52	2
Caleb Burbank	Landaff	71	"	52	2
A. W. C. Flanders	Lebanon	76	"	52	2
Freeman Fox	"	28	"	52	2
Sarah E. Mann	"	70	"	52	2
Geo. H. Mann	"	28	"	52	2
Mrs. S. W. Johnson	"	73	"	52	2
Eva Templeton	"	23	"	12	6
Mary Ann Roberts	"	79	"	46	3
Mary O. Connors	"	35	Irish	3	
Geo. Bennett	"	17	American	3	
Almira Boyce	Lincoln	36	"	52	2
Lewis Whipple	Lisbon	65	"	52	2
Mrs. Northy	"	62	"	52	2
Hattie Wright	"	33	"	52	2
Mary Cushman	"	63	"	52	2
Charles F. Dow	"	28	"	52	2
Silas Northy	"	58	"	52	2
Tommy Robinson	"	8	Irish	19	4
Charles D. Whipple	"	61	American	52	2
Wesley Emery	"	41	"	12	1
Phoebe Clough	"	60	"	52	2
Susan Messer	Littleton	65	"	52	2
Nellie Messer	"	25	"	52	2
Frank Messer	"	26	"	52	2
Geo. K. Paddleford	"	59	"	52	2
Pere Benjamin	"	44	French	52	2
Joseph La Flavor	"	63	"	52	2

Name.	Residence.	Age.	Nationality.	Board	
				Weeks.	D's.
Abraham Mills	Littleton	62	American	3	6
John Quack	"	30	French	2	3
Albert Durrell	"	29	"	3	3
Charles Mahan	"	15	"	22	
Carrie Littlehale	"	16	American	7	3
John Chitman	Lyman	65	English	52	2
Sarah Robinson	Lyme	41	American	52	2
Charles Abbott,	"	54	"	52	2
Kingsley Robinson	"	7	"	5	5
Lizzie L. Dimick,	"	22	"	7	5
Infant	"		"	2	
Betsey Clough	Monroe	60	"	52	2
Lucretia Cross	"	68	"	52	2
John Dickinson	"	61	"	52	2
Edd Shanty	"	11	French	15	3
Matilda Dickinson	"	33	"	11	6
Sarah Dickenson	"	10	"		6
David Dickenson	"	4	"	11	6
Sumner Chellis	Orange	77	American	52	2
Bailey Mann	Orford	77	"	52	2
Mary Williams	"	68	"	52	2
Ephraim Worthen	"	51	"	52	2
Nellie Chase	Plymouth	11	"	52	2
John Barrett	"	49	"	52	2
Wm. Webber	"	79	"	11	5
Betsey Webber	"	76	"	35	6
Mrs. H. A. Johnson	Rumney	41	"	33	1
Annette Sabbattee	Thornton	55	"	52	2
Albert Sabbattee	"	16	"	52	2
Betsey Sabbatte	"	59	"	38	3
Hiram Page	"	75	"	52	2
John Marsh	"	63	"		6
C. R. Foote	Warren	76	"	52	2
Mrs. Presby Craig	"	61	"	52	2
Peter Shampeau	"	44	French	46	5
Joseph Levoy	"	73	"	49	1
Bessie Judkins	"	11	American	9	5
Amos Judkins	"	9	"	9	5
Scott Judkins	"	4	"	9	5
Lizzie Eaton	Wentworth	44	"	52	2
Geo. W. Kimball	"	70	"	9	2
Nancy Kimball	"	67	"	9	
Addie Hammond	"	16	"	1	4

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand May 1, 1887,	\$356 64
Received cash of Treasurer,	6,500 00
Darius George, one pig,	2 00
Charles H. Day, hay,	141 07
J. E. Carr, flour,	4 75
Carr & Gale, flour and fish,	5 41
Lyman Southard, heifer,	20 00
Ai Willoughby, for cattle,	200 00
S. P. Carbee, flour,	54 00
S. P. Carbee, apples	16 64
S. P. Carbee, oats,	12 50
Benj. Dow, cow,	36 00
E. S. Kimball, pig,	5 00
Scott Keizer, goods. etc.,	49 02
S. P. Carbee, flour,	36 00
Town of Haverhill, school money,	56 67
“ “ board O. G. Page,	46 72
Wm. Ricker, shoats,	43 45
John H. Nelson, pigs,	23 00
Mullikan & Davis, rags,	4 77
Town of Haverhill, goods furnished T. Col- bridge and Geo. Knapp,	38 90
Town of Littleton, board A. Mills,	11 56
Town of Orford, board of E. Worthen,	156 00
Russell C. Noyes, goods,	22 30
Hubert Eastman, flour,	22 75
Henry Hurlburt, 2 pigs,	4 00
Geo Libbey, apples and flour,	9 11
W. W. Coburn, 3 pigs,	7 44
Geo. Thibedeau, hay,	1 60
Ai Willoughby, hides and beef,	97 66
Benj. Dow, cattle	175 00
Loren Vance; goods,	6 87
W. H. Weston, flour,	4 75
Chas. Nutting, “	4 75
David Bliffin, “	4 75
Lyman Southard “	4 75
W. H. Weston, “	4 75
John H. Glines, goods,	12 25
Town of Grafton, board of C. V. Garland,	140 00
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	\$8,342 83

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Geo. A. Carr, freight,	\$49 66
Clark Roberts and wife, labor,	125 00
Norris & Crockett, crackers,	5 00
J. F. Morse, hulled corn,	3 00
Parker & Holmes, boots and shoes,	249 44
Susan Wheeler, labor,	3 00
E. D. Carpenter, caskets and robes,	78 50
Geo. E. Emery, stamps, box rent, etc.,	14 28
W. F. Prescott, cheese,	2 40
D. R. Allison, freight,	1 53
M. H. Clifford, labor,	9 00
S. F. Southard, beef and stone,	49 48
R. W. Musgrove, Bristol Enterprise,	1 25
Q. A. Scott, express,	4 40
M. B. Meader, phosphate,	19 00
P. E. Tragansa, labor,	13 00
H. R. Norris and wife, labor,	91 67
Henry C. Carbee, oxen,	160 00
D. H. Cheney, fruit,	1 75
E. B. Miller, groceries, etc.,	54 73
J. M. Getchell & Co., corn planter, etc.,	23 80
G. A. Davidson, freight,	4 03
Jordan, Marsh & Co., goods,	90 71
Leland, Rice & Co., clothing,	107 75
Union Pub. Co., paper,	3 50
F. W. Powers, soap,	22 88
T. W. Glover, goods,	139 30
Scott Fellows, ashes,	6 00
M. E. Kimball, goods,	72 48
W. W. Coburn, grinding,	15 18
Henry F. King, potatoes, beans, etc.	41 00
Lewis Goochee, chopping wood,	170 00
F. L. Wilmot, hay tedder and repairs,	57 63
W. H. Weston, sewing machine,	30 00
Wm. Thomas and wife, labor,	83 34
Erastus Baldwin, Jr., repairing harnesses,	24 20
A. L. Skinner, pasturing cattle,	19 50
Smith & Sloane, Bill Water's case,	3 00
W. G. Foss, ox-bows, scythes, etc.,	6 00
Geo. W. Libbey, blacksmithing,	89 15
Albert Hood, services as constable,	7 00
Freeman Aldrich, threshing,	13 50
Scott & Leighton, goods,	4 50
F. L. Hughes, vinegar and tobacco,	30 10

Russell C. Noyes, labor,	145 46
J. C. Farnham, beans,	3 00
Woodworth & Co., groceries,	609 27
Warren J. Fisher, beans,	30 00
John H. Glines and wife, labor,	187 50
Parker & Young Man. Co., lumber,	52 50
Geo. J. Woodward, wood,	219 40
Denning & Leonard, lumber,	48 22
Mulliken & Davis, hardware,	116 13
J. D. Wilson, wood,	287 50
Whitcher & Kendall, lumber,	25 00
Wm. K. Wallace, wood,	102 25
A. W. Streeter, stanchions,	15 00
J. A. Wood, Independent Statesman,	1 25
T. C. Stevens, cutting ice,	6 34
M. T. Russell, brooms and pails,	6 25
A. H. Burton, cattle,	140 00
Russell Moore, oil, meal and cement,	46 45
Arthur E. Curtis, potatoes,	106 40
Jerre Fiscett, cutting wood,	63 58
Geo. Thibedeau, cutting wood,	150 48
E. W. George, apples,	101 10
Henry Hurlburt, heifer,	22 50
E. B. Mann & Co., drugs and sewer pipe,	120 66
J. R. Gowing, meal and feed,	303 12
S. H. Jones, repairs on boiler and fixtures,	121 26
Scott Keizer, labor,	73 78
W. S. Keizer, teaching school,	40 00
R. G. Brock, water tub and sinks,	14 65
C. O. Morse, taxes,	168 55
Benj. Dow, cattle,	115 00
O. P. Kendall, beef,	3 00
Squires & Co., pork,	73 11
Stratton, Merrill & Co., flour,	675 00
John L. Davis, repairs on boiler,	8 00
Brown, Durrell & Co.,	157 08
Lyman Gibbs & Co., goods,	9 60
Albert Twichell, services as chaplain,	60 00
Carter & Churchill, goods,	35 37
C. R. Gibson, medical attendance,	118 80
Humphrey, Dodge & Smith, hardware,	4 19
Martin L. Hall & Co., coffee,	42 60
A. H. Martin, mending shoes,	1 15
Walker, Pratt & Co., steam kettle,	45 00
H. P. Burleigh, labor,	35 00

John Seeley, labor,	4 50
Joe Martel, blacksmithing,	2 93
Ai Willoughby, meat.	155 53
E. H. Cheney, Free Press,	1 25
Loren Vance and wife, labor,	300 00
Wm. Marshall, blacksmithing,	4 65
S. S. Brown, cash paid, as per items,	64 44
S. S. Brown, bridge pass,	3 00
M. T. Cilley, Zion's Herald,	2 50
S. S. Brown and wife, Supt. and matron,	800 00
Cash in hands of Supt.	292 89
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	\$8,342 83

INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY AT THE COUNTY FARM, APRIL 30, 1887.

Live stock,	\$2,671 50	
Farming utensils,	1,465 85	
Provisions and produce,	2,942 00	
Clothing,	608 93	
Household furniture,	936 27	
Almshouse furniture,	2,405 87	
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INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY AT THE COUNTY FARM, APRIL 30, 1888.

Live stock,	\$2,972 00	
Farming utensils,	1,759 94	
Provisions and produce,	3,054 90	
Clothing,	798 26	
Household furniture,	1,049 32	
Almshouse furniture,	2,452 89	
	<hr/>	\$12,087 31

COST OF SUPPORTING PAUPERS ON FARM FROM MAY 1st, 1887, TO APRIL 30th, 1888.

Inventory of personal property at County Farm, April 30, 1887,	\$11,030 42
Paid for provisions, clothing, stock, medical aid, funeral expenses, labor, etc.,	7,041 39
Paid school teacher,	40 00
Taxes,	168 55
S. S. Brown and wife, Supt. and Matron,	800 00

Interest on investment,	1,600 00
Insurance on County buildings,	405 00
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	\$21,085 36

Inventory of personal property on County	
Farm, April 30, 1888,	\$12,087 31
Received for board of paupers,	354 28
" of town of Haverhill, school money,	56 67
" for stock and produce sold,	1,075 24
Cash in hands of Supt.,	292 89
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	\$13,866 39

Total net cost of supporting paupers at Farm for year ending April 30, 1888,	<hr/>
	\$7,218 97

In accordance with Chapter 28, Sec. 1, Gen. Laws, the Superintendent of County Farm shall make up his report to May 1st annually, and also Sec. 2 of said chapter requires that the Superintendent's report shall contain, in addition, a list of the paupers actually supported at the Farm, and the number of weeks each was so supported, also a statement of the average cost per week for each pauper, with an explanation of the basis upon which said calculations were made.

The whole number of persons supported and partially supported for the year ending April 30th, 1888, was (143) one hundred forty-three.

The number of weeks board is ascertained by taking the number of days between the day of admittance and the day of departure of each individual, and dividing that number by seven, it gives the number of weeks each individual has been so supported.

The total cost of supporting paupers on the Farm for the year ending April 30, 1888, is \$7,218.97. This sum divided by the whole number of weeks board furnished, viz., 5360 3-7 gives \$1.34-|- as the price per week, which includes every necessary of life consistent with the welfare of the inmates, outside of the products of the farm.

Divine services have been held at the Almshouse every other Sunday for the past year by Rev. A. Twichell, of the M. E. church at Woodsville, and I respectfully refer you to his report.

There has been twenty weeks of school at the Farm with an average attendance of 15 scholars. W. S. Keyser taught this school, and the scholars made good improvement.

In closing this report, I wish to thank the commissioners and

the citizens of the county for their uniform courtesy and aid given me during the past year, and most cordially invite them to make their visits more frequent, that they may see for themselves the care which the inmates receive in the institution.

Respectfully submitted,

S. S. BROWN, Superintendent.

Haverhill, N. H., April 30, 1888.

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of S. S. Brown, Supt. of County Farm for the year ending April 30th, 1888, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

TYLER WESTGATE, } Auditors of
E. B. MANN, } Grafton County.

S. P. CARBEE, } Commissioners
H. H. HOLT, } of Grafton Co.

PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

I hereby submit my report of the medical department of the Grafton County Alms House :

The general health of the inmates has been exceptionally good during the past year, my services being seldom required except in old and chronic cases for the most part utterly incurable, in which such institutions always abound, and where the only office a physician can perform is to relieve suffering.

The Superintendent and Matron with their assistants, have done all in their power to aid me in my work.

Below will be found a report of births and deaths. There has been one birth during the past year.

Date.	Name.	Age.	Disease,
1887.			
June 3,	George G. Quimby,	74	Consumption.
July 12,	Nancy Kimball,	67	Catarrhal Pneumonia.
Aug. 10,	Achsah Jeffers,	87	Cancer.
Aug. 24,	Thomas Ferrell,	55	Softening of Brain.
Nov. 13,	William Webber,	78	General Debility.
Dec. 18,	Ezekiel Bowles,	80	Old Age.
1888.			
Jan. 3.	John Batchelder,	34	Insanity,
Mar. 15,	Mary J. Hadley,	52	Pneumonia.
Apr. 19,	Ann L. Seaver,	44	Consumption.

C. R. GIBSON, M. D.

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

Gentlemen:—I have completed my third term of service as Chaplain to the Grafton County Almshouse, and have to report as heretofore, that to the full extent of my ability and opportunity, I have by both public and private instruction, endeavored to benefit and comfort the inmates of this well ordered and pleasant retreat for our unfortunate fellow creatures. By the untiring efforts of your superintendent and matron, coupled with my own efforts, I feel safe in saying that under the blessing of God, the moral tone of the inmates is much higher than when I first attempted the work of a chaplain to this County home for the poor.

Respectfully submitted,
ALBERT TWICHELL, Chaplain.

SHERIFF'S REPORT,

To the Commissioners for the County of Grafton:

I hereunto submit my report as Sheriff from May 1st, 1887, to May 1st, 1888.

MAY TERM, 1887.

B. H. Corning, three days attendance,	\$9 00
Sixty miles travel,	7 20
Paid Clergyman,	2 00
B. F. Smith, messenger,	6 00
Alexander Warden, 3 days attendance,	7 50
Twenty miles travel,	2 40
M. A. Ferrin, four and one half days attendance,	11 50
Cleaning Court House,	75
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	\$46 35

SEPTEMBER TERM, 1887.

B. H. Corning, two days attendance,	\$6 00
Thirty miles travel,	3 60
Paid Chaplain,	2 00
E. C. Weed, messenger, four days,	6 00
Cleaning Court House,	1 00

ADJOURNED TERM, OCT. 10th.

B. H. Corning, two days attendance,	6 00
Thirty miles travel,	3 60
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	\$28 20

NOVEMBER TERM, 1887.

B. H. Corning, two days attendance,	\$6 00
Sixty miles travel,	7 20
J. H. Brown, four days attendance,	10 00
Sixteen miles travel,	1 92
M. A. Ferrin, six days attendance,	15 00
Messenger, six " "	9 00
Paid Chaplain,	2 00
Webster, Russell & Co., stationery, etc.,	3 25
Dinner for Jury,	9 00
" " Prisoners,	2 00
Two cords of wood,	10 00
Preparing,	2 50
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	\$77 87

MARCH TERM, 1888.

S. H. Brigham, nine days attendance,	\$22 50
Twenty miles travel,	2 40
M. A. Ferrin, six days attendance,	15 00
Thirty miles travel,	3 60
Alexander Warden, four days attendance,	10 00
Eighteen miles travel,	2 16
Eben Weed, seven days attendance,	17 50
Messenger, nine days " "	13 50
Paid Clergyman,	2 00
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	\$88 66

B. H. CORNING, Sheriff.

CLERK'S REPORT.

To the County Commissioners:

I submit the following report of the receipts and disbursements of my office for the year 1887, as examined and allowed by the Court.

RECEIPTS.

For dockets sold,	\$114 25
2 jury fees,	10 00
337 entries,	303 30
fine and costs in State v. Daniels,	47 53
“ “ v. Metcalf,	135 00
“ “ v. Carr,	135 00
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	\$745 08

DISBURSEMENTS AND SERVICES.

Paid printing dockets,	\$191 66
postage and stationery,	63 02
express and telegraph,	24 18
printing cases,	27 37
“ notices and blanks,	38 48
63 N. H. Report,	3 50
33 days attendance at court,	115 00
Recording judgments and other services performed,	749 22
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	\$1212 43

CHAS. B. GRISWOLD, Clerk.

JAILOR'S REPORT.

To the Commissioners of the County of Grafton :

As required by law I herewith submit my report for the year ending April 30th, 1888 :

Number of prisoners in jail April 30th, 1887,	2
Committed from April 30th, 1887, to May 1st, 1888,	32

Total,	34
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Committed to State Prison,	1
Reform School,	1
Pardon by Governor,	1
Discharged,	21
Discharged on bail,	3
Discharged on payment of fine and costs,	3
Remaining in jail May 1st, 1888,	4

34

Committed during the year for robbery,	3
“ for drunk,	6
“ for theft,	5
“ for rape,	2
“ for debt,	2
“ for illegal sale of spirits,	1
“ for murder,	2
“ for tramps,	11

32

Fine and costs received,	\$39.13
Total number of weeks board furnished to persons committed,	184
Average,	5 7-17

EBEN C. WEED, Jailor.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT.

At the May term, 1887, sixteen criminal causes were pending. Five were disposed of and eleven continued. The term was of but four days duration and afforded no opportunity for the trial of causes. Laws must be made before they can be executed. So many of the Grafton bar were engaged in legislative proceedings, members of the executive department, or otherwise concerned in law making until a late day, that no attention could be given to law breaking. The September term was held but three days, and the entire state docket was of necessity continued. At the November term one case came up on appeal. Seventeen indictments found under my predecessor and dropped because the respondent did not find it convenient to be within the jurisdiction, were brought forward and six true bills were returned by the Grand Jury, making a total of thirty-five cases pending. In eighteen of them a plea of guilty or nolo contendere was entered; in one, spirituous liquors were forfeited by decree of the court; one case, being in the law term for final disposition, was marked a misentry; one action was suspended; and one tried by a jury, resulting in a verdict for the respondent. Thirteen cases were continued to the March term, 1888. At the latter term two Libels vs. Liquors, one appeal and twenty-two indictments were added, making a total of thirty-eight cases pending. Of these fifteen went off on a plea of nolo contendere; one on a plea of guilty; one was dismissed; and two dropped because the respondents were out of the reach of process. Nineteen cases remain to be considered at the coming May term. Six of these are practically one cause and will require but one trial. In three, perhaps five, others no trial

will be necessary. Efforts will be made to dispose of the whole list at the two terms which intervene before the setting of another Grand Jury.

NATURE OF THE CAUSES.

Aggravated assault,	4
Assault and battery,	2
Breaking and entering,	1
Contempt of court,	2
Cruelty to animals,	2
Drunkenness,	1
Exposing poison,	1
Embezzlement,	6
Forfeitures of liquors,	3
Larceny,	2
Malicious injuries,	2
Obstructing officer,	2
Robbery,	2
Sale of liquors, etc.,	35
Total,	<hr/> 65

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. COTTON, Solicitor.

Lebanon, N. H., Apr. 28, 1888.

TREASURER'S REPORT,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1888.

Cash in treasury, May 1st, 1887,	\$21,012 11
of Chester Abbott, dividend on policy No. 427,	2 25
of Sullivan County, aid furnished for Hiram Buck,	9 93
of Mrs. Nathaniel Beers,	25 00
H. H. Holt, refunded in John H. Clark case,	89 56
of H. H. Holt, boxes sold,	8 96
E. C. Weed, fines in Wm. H. Lewis case,	9 39
Returned to Treasurer.	1 00
Interest on deposits,	420 00
Town of Alexandria, County tax,	482 59
Ashland,	945 08
Bath,	1,021 49
Benton,	213 15
Bethlehem,	1,198 44
Bridgewater,	277 49
Bristol,	1,351 26
Campton,	711 82
Canaan,	1,198 44
Dorchester,	277 49
Ellsworth,	64 35
Enfield,	1,660 92
Easton,	233 25
Franconia,	575 09
Grafton,	800 30
Groton,	305 64
Hanover,	2,537 63
Haverhill,	2,187 75
Hebron,	233 25

Town of Holderness,	454 44
Landaff,	466 51
Lebanon,	4,741 47
Lincoln,	92 50
Lisbon,	1,765 48
Littleton,	2,871 42
Lyman,	378 03
Lyme,	1,182 35
Livermore,	104 56
Monroe,	458 46
Orange,	172 93
Orford,	1,001 38
Piermont,	727 91
Plymouth,	1,801 68
Rumney,	784 21
Thornton,	333 79
Warren,	651 50
Woodstock,	140 76
Wentworth,	538 89
Waterville,	56 30
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	\$56,578 20
To cash of Sullivan County for board of Sarah E. Beers,	66 25
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	\$56,644 45

PAID AS FOLLOWS.

R. A. Horner, services as Auditor,	\$20 00
B. F. Perkins, " "	20 00
A. W. Lyman, coal for Jail and County offices,	122 72
R. W. Musgrove, printing County Reports, 1887,	67 00
Robinson & Gould, printing blanks for County officers,	112 40
Fling & Chase, counsel in J. B. Carter case,	75 95
C. H. Dimick, services and expenses conveying C. N. Stevens from Springfield to Co. farm,	6 50
Isaac Davis, services conveying Mary Bonival to Co. farm,	11 50
W. A. Cobb, Record books and statements for Reg- ister of Deeds office,	114 17
C. B. Griswold, supplies for Clerk and Probate offices,	64 71
E. B. Huse, insurance,	11 25
Chester Abbott, insurance,	405 00
H. H. Holt, " "	20 00
A. B. Freeman, blanks for Probate office,	10 50

M. A. Ferrin, repairs on Court	
Pl-	
E. C. W	
"	
pri	400 66
N. H. As	
support of inmates from	
Aug. 31st, 1887, to Feb. 29th, 1888,	1718 29
State Industrial School, board, clothing and instruc-	
tion,	450 36
B. H. Corning, services and expenses for March, May	
and Sept. terms, 1887,	118 55
B. H. Corning, salary as Sheriff,	275 00
W. H. Cotton, services as Solicitor,	500 00
F. L. Hughes " Treasurer,	300 00
S. P. Carbee, services and expenses equalizing inven-	
tories,	238 25
S. S. Brown, services and expenses equalizing inven-	
tories,	113 80
H. H. Holt, services and expenses equalizing inven-	
tories,	99 60
Haverhill Aqueduct Co., water for jail,	6 00
S. P. Carbee, Commissioners services to Sept. 15, 1887,	234 00
S. S. Brown, " " Feb. 23, 1888,	227 20
H. H. Holt, " " Nov. 1, 1887,	234 82
S. S. Brown, agent, repairs on buildings and fixtures	
at Co. farm,	500 00
Grand Jurors, Nov. term, 1887,	131 28
" March " 1888,	143 16
Petit Jurors, May " 1887,	173 24
" Nov. " "	224 56
" March " 1888,	395 76
F. L. Badger, support of M. A. Badger,	45 75
Nancy C. Smith, " G. W. Smith,	100 00
Co. of Sullivan, " Addie Gray, J. B. Lovering,	
Cora N. Stevens, Orville Barker and children,	305 42
S. S. Brown, agent, supporting paupers at Co. farm,	6000 00
Town of Alexandria, support of poor,	962 20
Bath,	40 56
Benton,	56 46
Bethlehem,	383 61
Bridgewater,	323 12
Bristol,	176 64
Campton,	985 42
Canaan,	544 66
Dorchester,	382 89

Town of Ellsworth,	77 41
Enfield,	705 18
Easton,	125 71
Franconia,	284 85
Grafton,	585 02
Groton,	97 10
Hanover,	529 34
Haverhill,	476 49
Hebron,	103 75
Holderness,	358 27
Landaff,	478 67
Lebanon,	1058 20
Lisbon,	825 83
Littleton,	2066 51
Lyman,	390 24
Lyme,	911 11
Monroe,	148 63
Orange,	50 94
Orford,	76 94
Piermont,	143 58
Plymouth,	954 45
Rumney,	531 76
Thornton,	361 21
Warren,	275 51
Woodstock,	47 11
Wentworth,	122 28
Pay roll State vs. Robert Sargent and als.	\$59 65
“ “ Frank Talbot,	2 50
“ “ J. Sears,	22 31
“ “ Geo. Woodward,	31 95
“ “ Alice J. Mitchell,	3 00
“ “ I. N. Ford,	31 44
“ “ H. F. Wyatt,	9 13
“ “ Richard Dodge and als,	102 94
“ “ Frank White,	124 82
“ “ Geo. A. Elliott,	105 86
“ “ Wm. Jenks,	84 58
“ “ Geo. Prescott,	62 20
“ “ David H. Waterman,	18 00
“ “ Isabel Vancheur,	38 00
“ “ E. O. Getchell,	26 29
“ “ N. C. Wright,	7 57
“ “ Chas. H. Bedell,	17 95
“ “ J. S. Pillsbury,	67 30
“ “ J. P. Gile,	24 25

Pay roll State vs. Chas. Kelley,	36 66
“ “ “ “ and als.,	101 37
“ “ H. J. Jesseman,	8 55
“ “ J. L. Spring, case,	57 78
“ “ Geo. A. Carr,	70 08
“ “ Parker Metcalf,	144 08
“ “ Martin Barrett,	53 36
“ “ Frank M. Fogg,	90 49
J. R. Jackson and Arthur Knapp Ref. fees $\frac{1}{2}$ in No. 27,	\$30 80
C. B. Griswold, “ “ “ 146,	13 00
N. L. Jewell, “ “ “ 31,	5 00
Jeremiah Smith, “ “ “ 3 Eq.	22 80
E. J. Bartlett, “ “ “ 4	16 00
C. B. Griswold, “ “ “ 11 & 12	43 00
J. F. Briggs, “ “ “ 70	37 50
M. A. Hastings, “ “ “ 32	23 40
Geo. C. Bowles, services as Juror, Sept. term, 1887,	4 40
A. A. Whipple, “ “ “ “	4 40
C. B. Griswold, balance clerk acct. March term,	131 25
“ “ “ “ May “	164 18
“ “ “ “ Sept. “	129 47
“ “ “ “ Nov. “	54 37
“ “ “ “ March “	119 33
Paid Coupons,	2127 00
County Bond No. 33, and 1 coupon due Oct. 1st,	
’79,	530 00
County Bond No. 92, and 2 coupons due Oct. 1st,	
’89,	208 00
County Bond No. 89, and 2 coupons due Oct. 1st,	
’89,	208 00
County Bond No. 69, and 2 coupons due Oct. 1st,	
’89,	521 00
Balance, in treasury,	21,085 02
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	\$56,644 45

FINANCIAL STANDING OF THE COUNTY OF GRAFTON MAY 1st, 1888.

County Bonds outstanding, 6 per cent. due 1889,	\$16,300 00
Interest on same for 7 months,	570 50
County Bonds outstanding, 5 per cent,	22,300 00
Interest on same 7 months,	650 41
Coupons due and not paid,	152-00
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	\$39,972 91

ASSETS.

Inventory of personal property on the County Farm, May 1st, 1888,	\$12,087 31
Cash in hands of Supt. of Co. Farm,	292 89
Cash in hands of Treasurer,	21,085 02
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	\$33,465 22
 Total debt above assets,	 \$6,507 69
 Net amount of debt May 1st, 1887,	 \$8,339 24
Net amount of debt May 1st, 1888,	6,507 69
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Reduction of debt the past year,	\$1,831 55

FRANK L. HUGHES, County Treasurer.

COUNTY FARM, HAVERHILL, April 30th, 1888.

We, the undersigned, hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of the Treasurer of said County for the year ending April 30th, 1888, and find them to be properly vouched and correctly cast.

TYLER WESTGATE, } Auditors of
E. B. MANN, } Grafton County.

S. P. CARBEE, } Commissioners
H. H. HOLT. } of
S. S. BROWN, } Grafton County.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

We have carefully examined the accounts of the County Treasurer, Commissioners and Superintendent of the County Farm, and find them correctly computed and vouched.

We further say that in our opinion the sums named in the vouchers and payments are according to the market value of the articles charged therein, and that such articles have been used for the benefit of the County.

We find that Bonds paid by County, the par value of which amounted to \$900, have been purchased by the County Treasurer, with the approval of the County Commissioners, for which he paid \$937.00.

That Bond No. 33, due October 1, 1879—\$500, and one coupon attached, \$30.00, making \$530.00, has been paid. The above bonds were produced and cancelled, and we also cancelled coupons to the amount of \$2127.

Respectfully submitted,

TYLER WESTGATE, } Auditors of
EZRA B. MANN, } Grafton County.

April 30, 1888.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, Merrimack Ss., June 8, 1887.

Then personally appeared Charles A. Chase and made oath that he would faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on him as clerk of the Grafton County Convention, according to the best of his abilities and agreeably to the rules and regulations of the constitution and laws of the State of New Hampshire.

Before me,
SAMUEL T. PAGE,
 Justice of the Peace throughout the State.

RECORD OF THE DOINGS OF THE GRAFTON COUNTY CONVENTION.

Wednesday, June 8, 1887.

On the second Wednesday of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, being the second Wednesday of the June session of the General Court, a day prescribed by statute for the assembly of the Representatives of the towns of the County for the purpose of organization in County Convention. Notice given by the speaker the following named representatives met in the Hall of the House of Representatives at Concord, to wit:

Orrin S. Gale,	of	Alexandria.
Thomas P. Cheney,		Ashland.
Alexander H. Burton,		Bath.
Lebina H. Parker,		Benton.
Jonas P. Wallace,		Bethlehem.
Lorenzo Flanders,		Bridgewater.
George H. Calley,		Bristol.
Moody C. Dole,		Campton.
Leroy S. Davis,		Canaan.
Stillman Merrill,		Dorchester.
Henry H. Pease,		Ellsworth.
Myron S. Bronson, Easton and Landaff,	Class No. 7.	Enfield.
Eugene A. Wells,		Franconia.
Harry W. Priest,		Grafton.
Horace Barney,		Hanover.
Newton S. Huntington,		"
Asa W. Fellows,		Haverhill.
Samuel B. Page,		"
Samuel T. Page,		

Nathan B. Cox,
 Lyman P. Whipple,
 Jesse E. Dewey,
 Charles Parker,
 Austin J. Batchelder,
 Ira Parker,
 John T. Simpson,
 Osman P. Titus,
 Benjamin T. Washburn,
 Willie S. Smith,
 John Fernald,
 Isaac Willard,
 Alvin Burleigh,
 Charles A. Chase,
 Frank A. Barnard,
 Charles K. Leonard,
 Benjamin M. Libby,
 Onslow P. Gilman,

Holderness
 Lebanon.
 Lebanon.
 Lisbon.
 “
 Littleton.
 “
 Lyman.
 Lyme.
 Monroe.
 Orange.
 Orford-
 Plymouth.
 Rumney.
 Thornton.
 Warren.
 Wentworth,
 Livermore.

The convention was called to order by Alvin Burleigh of Plymouth.

On motion of Mr. Willard of Orford, Newton S. Huntington of Hanover was made permanent chairman. On motion of Samuel B. Page of Haverhill, Charles A. Chase of Rumney was made clerk, who being present took the oath of office by law prescribed.

Voted to adjourn to meet at call of chairman.

A true record. Attest,

CHARLES A. CHASE, Clerk.

Wednesday, June 8, 1887.

The Convention met at Room No. 5 in the State House, at the call of the chairman and notice from the speaker. A quorum was present, and the convention was addressed by Mr. S. P. Carbee, one of the County Commissioners, and that gentleman presented to each member of the convention a copy of the report of the Commissioners of the County, together with the reports of the Superintendent, Physician, Chaplain, Sheriff, Clerk of the Court, Jailor, Solicitor, Treasurer and Auditors of said county for the year ending April 30, 1887.

On motion of Samuel B. Page of Haverhill, the convention voted to adjourn, to meet in the Representatives Hall, Division 3, Wednesday next immediately after the adjournment of the House in the afternoon.

A true record. Attest,

CHARLES A. CHASE, Clerk.

Wednesday, June 15, 1887,

Convention met in division 3 in Representatives' Hall in the State House at 4 o'clock P. M. at the call of the chairman. A quorum was present, and the convention was called to order by the chairman. Moved by Mr. S. B. Page of Haverhill, that the delegation visit the County Farm at Haverhill, on Friday, June 17th, and the motion was carried.

Chose Tyler Westgate and Ezra B. Mann, both of Haverhill, auditors.

Voted that so far as the statutes provide, the almshouse at the County farm be made a house of correction. On motion of Mr. Parker of Lisbon, the convention adjourned to meet at the call of the chairman.

A true record. Attest,

CHARLES A. CHASE, Clerk.

Thursday, July 14, 1887.

Convention met in Room No. 4 in the State House, at 2 o'clock P. M. at the call of the chairman. Voted to instruct the clerk to notify the Commissioners to obtain an estimate of the probable expense of erecting such a building as they recommend to be built at the almshouse for the accommodation of the insane poor, and be present before the convention, Thursday, July 28, at 2 o'clock P. M. at Room 4 in the State House, to which time and place the convention adjourned.

A true record. Attest,

CHARLES A. CHASE, Clerk.

Thursday, July 28, 1887.

Convention met agreeable to adjournment at 2 o'clock P. M. in Room 4 at State House. S. P. Carbee was present and addressed the convention, and presented the estimate called for by the convention. On motion of Samuel B. Page of Haverhill, the convention adjourned till Wednesday, Aug. 3, at 2 o'clock P. M. at Room 4 in the State House.

A true record. Attest,

CHARLES A. CHASE, Clerk.

Wednesday, Aug. 3, 1887, 2 o'clock P. M.

Convention met agreeable to adjournment, at Room 4 in the State House, and was called to order by the chairman at 2 o'clock P. M.

S. P. Carbee addressed the convention on the subject of interest on fund in the County treasury. On motion of Samuel T. Page of Haverhill, the convention adjourned to meet in the

same room immediately after the adjournment of the afternoon session of the House.

A true record. Attest,

CHARLES A. CHASE, Clerk.

Wednesday, Aug. 3, 1887, 4.30 o'clock P. M.

Convention met agreeable to adjournment at Room No. 4 in the State House, and was called to order at 4.30 o'clock P. M. by the chairman.

Voted that the commissioners be instructed to enlarge the present building for the insane at the County farm by its extension southerly 34 feet, letting the same by contract to the lowest responsible bidder, and that a sum not to exceed three thousand dollars be raised and appropriated for that purpose.

Voted that the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars be raised to defray the expenses of the County for the year 1888, and the sum of thirty-eight thousand dollars be raised to defray the expense of the County for the year 1889.

Voted to adjourn.

A true record. Attest,

CHARLES A. CHASE, Clerk.

A true copy of record. Attest,

HENRY H. HOLT,

Clerk of Grafton County Commissioners.